Drug smugglers in Delhi

•170. SHRl K. MOHANAN;
SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM;

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi is the nerve centre of drug smugglers for the international market, if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(b) what remedial steps Government are taking in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) Cases of transit of narcotics through Delhi have come to notice.

(b) On coming into force of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act 1985 from 14-11-85, a Special drive was launched to apprehend drug pedelers/traffickeers. Some active inter-State drug traffickeers with international links have been identified and apprehended. Significant seizures have been made. Special watch and vigil at vulnerable points is being maintained.

Microprocessor controlled systems for industries

•171. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased ito state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the sugarcane, textiles and paper industry have gone for the microprocessor controlled systems to improve productivity;

(b) if so, what are the details of improvement achieved after the introduction of the systems what are the details of production before and after the introduction of the systems—industry-wise; and

(c) what is the number of workmen employed in these industries before and after the introduction of the systems—industry-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRl SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Microprocessor controlled systems have been recently introduced in a few units in these sectors.

(b) and (c) In view of (a) above, it is not feasible at this stage to assess the impact of such systems towards improvement in productivity or on the employment pattern in the sugarcane, textiles or paper sector industries.

Seniority of I.A.S, vis-a-vis non I.A.S. Officers in the Central Services

•172. SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHWAHA:
SHRI SUSHIL CHAND MOHUNTA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a great resentment among the officers belonging to the Central Services as they are being forced to revert to their parent cadre whereas the officers of the 1957 batch of IAS cadre are, being appointed to occupy key positions ignoring the seniority of the non-IAS Central Services Officers, the last batch of which was cleared for the posts of Secretary in 1953; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for giving undue advantage to the I.A.S, officers vis-a-vis non IAS officers of the Central Services?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM); (a) Appointments to senior posts under the Government filled under the Senior Staffing Scheme are normally made for amongst eligible officers belonging to organised All India and Central Services, including the Indian Administrative Service, keeping in view the job requirements of each post and the qualifications and experience of the officers in the field of choice. Such appointments, except at